

off-road vehicle use including use on the following trails: Caribou Creek, Lost Creek, Trail Creek, Reeve Field, Boomerang Lake, Soda Lake, Suslota Lake, Copper Lake and Tanada Lake. The EIS will be used to guide the management of all ORV use.

In addition to the No Action alternative, the EIS will evaluate a proposed action that would authorize recreational ORV use on trails that can be maintained to a standard that minimizes resource impacts. Other alternatives include authorizing recreational ORV use on all nine trails without trail improvement, not authorizing recreational ORV use on any trails, and authorizing recreational ORV use on improved trails in the preserve but not the park. Public input is sought on this range of alternatives. In all action alternatives, subsistence ORV use would be monitored and measures taken to mitigate resource impacts.

**Scoping:** This notice extends the scoping period for this EIS and solicits comments. The NPS requests input from the public including local rural residents and residents of the park's twenty-three resident zone communities who engage in subsistence activities within the park.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. We will always make submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before June 29, 2009. Electronic comments may be submitted to the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/WRST>. Written comments also may be mailed or faxed to the address and phone number provided below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Meg Jensen, Park Superintendent, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, P.O. Box 439, Copper Center, Alaska 99573. Telephone (907) 822-5234, Fax (907) 822-7259.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The December 21, 2007 Notice of Intent for the project was followed by scoping which included five public meetings in

March and April of 2008. The meetings were held in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Tok, Slana, and Glennallen, Alaska. Scoping also included meetings with the Wrangell-St. Elias Park Subsistence Resource Commission, the Southcentral Alaska Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council, Ahtna Inc., and the villages of Mentasta and Chistochina. The public scoping process and the comments received were summarized in a scoping report posted on the park's Web site and on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/WRST>.

Based on comments received from the public, NPS developed a set of draft alternatives. An alternative package was sent out for public review and comment in December 2008. NPS received over 30 comments, nine of which requested that NPS consider reasonable regulation of subsistence ORV use within a range of alternatives.

Public meetings will be held after the release of the Draft EIS, tentatively scheduled for Spring 2010. Public meetings will be held in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Tok, Glennallen, and Slana, Alaska. When public meetings have been scheduled, the dates, times, and locations will be announced in local newspapers and posted on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/WRST>.

Dated: March 25, 2009.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Public Meeting: Northeast California Resource Advisory Council and Subcommittee

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Northeast California Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The RAC Resource Management Plan Implementation Subcommittee will

meet Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at 10 a.m. at the BLM Eagle Lake Field Office, 2950 Riverside Drive, Susanville, CA. The meeting is open to the public. The full RAC will meet Thursday and Friday, June 4-5, 2009, at the BLM Alturas Field Office, 708 West 12th St., Alturas, CA. On June 4, the council meets at 10 a.m. for a field tour of public lands managed by the Alturas Field Office. Members of the public are welcome; they must provide their own transportation and lunch. On June 5, the meeting begins at 8 a.m. and is open to the public. Public comments will be heard at 11 a.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tim Burke, BLM Alturas Field Office manager, (530) 233-4666; or BLM Public Affairs Officer Joseph J. Fontana, (530) 252-5332.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Northeast California and the northwest corner of Nevada. The May 19 subcommittee meeting will focus on implementation of resource management plans for the Alturas, Eagle Lake and Surprise field offices. At the June 4-5 full RAC meeting agenda topics include a report from the subcommittee, a status report on the Wild Horse and Burro Program, a summary of northeast California projects using federal stimulus funds, an update on proposed wind energy projects, a status report on the Sage Steppe Ecosystem Restoration Strategy, and an update on planning for the Modoc Line. Members of the public may present written comments to the council. Each formal council meeting will have time allocated for public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to speak, and the time available, the time for individual comments may be limited. Members of the public are welcome on field tours, but they must provide their own transportation and lunch. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation and other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM as provided above.

Dated: April 20, 2009.

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